

**RAJYA SABHA** [17 August, 2000]

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is being represented that the import of fish will adversely affect the income of fishermen, and will be detrimental to the growth of fishing industry in India.

(c) Government have no reports of fish imports adversely affecting the internal fish industry.

**Confinement of People of Indian Origin in Gurudwaras of Afghanistan**

**\*348. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:  
SHRI KULDIP NAYYAR:**

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any information that many people of Indian origin were still being kept confined within the local Gurudwaras of Afghanistan and not permitted to return to India; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

**THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH):** (a) The Taliban pursue a policy of harsh discrimination against minorities including religious minorities. Government does not have any information about the detention of people of Indian origin in Gurudwaras in Afghanistan.

(b) Does not arise.

**Reference to Central Legislation on Agricultural Labour at ILO**

**\*349. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA:** Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the representative of India, while participating in ILO session, recently held in Geneva, referred to Central Legislation on agricultural labour which is under consideration of the Government;

(b) if so, contexts for such a reference;